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Art Unit	: 1723	**Customer No.: 035811**
Examiner	: Yoon Young Kim	
Serial No.	: 10/682,186	
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Inventors	: Osamu Nakamatsu	Docket No.: 1347-03
	: Hiroshi Ohtani	
	: Ichirou Kumo	Confirmation No.: 7295
Title	: HOLLOW-FIBER MEMBRANE MODULE	
		Dated: October 2, 2006

CLAIM OF EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully claim a two (2) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the time for Response to the outstanding Official Action dated May 3, 2006 from August 3, 2006 to October 3, 2006.

A check in the amount of $450.00 is being submitted herewith pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a).

Confirmation of the foregoing Extension of Time is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2719. A duplicate copy of this claim is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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